FINNIAL AWARDS

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PURPOSE

This program is conducted biennially by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) under U.S. Department of Transportation, to encourage excellence in the design of highway-related facilities that provide safety and mobility and one sensitive to human and natural environment and to recognize projects that contribute effectively to a more pleasing highway experience.

ELIGIBILITY

Anyone may nominate an outstanding highway or highway-oriented improvement project that was completed in the United States and its possessions since January 1, 1996. The nominated project must have been accomplished for State or local agencies, or freeway or toll authorities, as set forth under Categories and Specific Criteria. Only completed projects will be eligible.

Design firms are eligible. Federal agencies and work performed for them are eligible only under Category 9.

Previous winning entries in the FHWA Biennial Awards competition are ineligible.

ENTRIES

Entries must be postmarked by June 30, 2002, and sent to the Federal Highway Administration Division Office in the State in which the project is located. See back page for address.

All material becomes the property of the U.S. Department of Transportation and may be used by the Department for its purposes. Therefore, photos should not be copyrighted.

No entries will be returned.

Organizations may submit three project entries per category. A project may be considered under only one category.

ENTRY SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. An entry shall consist of at least two but no more than three different photo views, two identical copies of each. Photographs shall be **unmounted** 11x14 inch glossy prints with 1/4 inch or less border. Matte and textured finishes are not acceptable. The photographs may be ground or aerial views. "Before" and "after" views are particularly effective.
- 2. A separate identification number must be recorded on the back of EACH photograph submitted and its entry form. The number will consist of the appropriate post office-approved State abbreviation plus any three digits of your choice (e.g., WV 401, WV 402, and WV 403 for three photos of a project submitted under category 4.)

3. Two 35mm slides of each photo view must be provided. Number the slides the same as the print to which they correspond (e.g., WV 401). Insert them in an envelope with the photograph numbers typed or printed on it.

Books, brochures, videos, or CDs will not be accepted.

GENERAL CRITERIA

These general criteria will be applied, as appropriate, to all entries in all categories. Additional specific criteria are listed with the categories. A project will not necessarily have to meet all criteria to win.

- 1. Compatibility with/or adaptation to the environment.
- 2. Visual appeal.
- 3. Safety and traffic operation factors.
- 4. Functional efficiency.
- 5. Quality of construction.
- 6. Pleasing user experience.

JUDGING

Winning entries will be selected by a panel of judges representing a range of backgrounds relevant to the listed categories. The winning entries will be announced at the 2002 AASHTO Annual Meeting in Alaska.

HELPFUL HINTS

The narrative should address how well the project meets both the general and specific criteria for its category. The same narrative should be used for all photographs in the entry.

Although the judges carefully consider the information in the narrative, the importance of high quality photographs cannot be emphasized enough.

The narrative should not be continued on additional sheets. Adjusting the font size, margins, etc. should be used to keep the entry form to a single page.

AWARDS

Awards will consist of appropriate recognition to the owners, designers, or consultants submitting the outstanding entries in each category. Awards will be presented to the winners locally by the Division Administrator.

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CATEGORIES

Category	Outstanding Example of	Specific Criteria
1	The Urban Highway (New Construction, Reconstruction, Rehabilitation)	 Enhancement of transportation system Relationship to surroundings Alignment and design Safety improvements Minimize traffic disruption
2	The Rural Highway (New Construction, Reconstruction, Rehabilitation)	 Design Alignment, location, and cross section Preservation of natural areas Re-establishment of native vegetation
3	Major Highway Structures (New Construction, Reconstruction, Rehabilitation) A. Projects over \$ 10 Million B. Projects under \$ 10 Million	 Innovative structural design Selection of structural configuration and material Visual impact
4	Environmental Protection and Enhancement (Landscaping, Native Wildflowers, Gateway Treatments, Wildlife Habitat, Scenic Byways, Wetlands, Urban Enhancements)	 Design Alignment, location, and cross section Preservation of natural areas Re-establishment of native vegetation Protection of wildlife Improvements of the Urban Environment
5	Historic Preservation (Historical, Archeological, and Cultural Resources)	RehabilitationIntegration with the highway systemInterpretation
6	Highway Related Projects (Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities, Safety Rest Areas, etc.)	Site developmentIntegration with the highway systemSigning graphicsInnovative design
7	Intelligent Transportation Systems (Metropolitan, Commercial Vehicle Operations, and Rural)	System integration and architectureBenefitsPublic-private partnerships
8	Intermodal Transportation Facilities (Joint Highway/Rail/Transit Facilities Multi-modal Transportation Facilities, etc.)	 Multi-modal design aspects Innovative structure and design Linkage between modes Enhancement of the transportation system
9	Highway/Improvements on Federal, State, or Other Publicly Owned Land	 Design Alignment & location Cross section Preservation of natural areas Re-establishment of native vegetation

2002 BIENNIAL AWARDS ENTRY FORM

Entries must be postmarked by June 30, 2002

2 Number and Title of Category

1. PLEASE TYPE IN SPACE BELOW. Describe the overall purpose, goals, and design methodology. Particularly address the general criteria and include unique aspects of the project.

3. Number of Photographs in this entry			
	(2 or 3 glossy photographs, unmounted, 11x14 inches, color, in duplicate)		
Photo #1 I.D. No.	Photo #2 I.D.No	Photo #3 I.D. No	
4. Name, Organization, Address and Telepho	one # of person submitting this entry (Kn	owledgeable Regarding Questions Concerning Entry	
5. Name, Addresses and Telephone # of Org	ganization(s) to Receive Award (Limited	to Two Organizations)	
6. Project Owner, including Mailing Address	and Telephone #		
	listed above)		
8. Name and Location of Principal Contract	tor(s)		
9. Location and Name of This Project	_County		
10. Local Name (if appropriate)			
11. Date Project Completed			

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Send your entry to the appropriate Federal Highway Administration Division Office.

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